

REMARKS

Claims 19-22 and 26-45 were pending in the present application prior to amendment herein. Claims 19, 28, 44, and 45 have been canceled herein. Claims 20-22, 26, 27, and 29-43 are therefore pending in the present application.

The Applicants gratefully acknowledge the finding in the Office Action dated May 6, 2008 that claims 32, 36-39 and 42 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In view of this, claims 32, 36, 38, and 42 have been rewritten in independent form in the present Amendment, including all of the limitations of the claims from which they depend.

The remaining claims have been amended so as to depend from one of allowable claims 32, 36, 38, or 42. The Applicants therefore respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Claim 36 has also been amended to correct a minor informality. This claim now recites “an interior surface of the compartment” in line 6. This amendment is supported on page 18 of the specification, on the second line of the second full paragraph of that page. In view of the foregoing, the Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment be entered and that the present application be reconsidered in view of the amendments made herein as well as the Applicants’ comments below.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 19-26, 28-29, 31, 40, and 43-45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,970,584 to O’Gorman in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,622,014 to Daniel. In addition, claims 27, 30, 33-35, 41 and 43 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,970,584 to O’Gorman in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,622,014 to Daniel, and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,539,101 to Black.

The Applicants have canceled claims 19, 28, 44, and 45, without prejudice, making the foregoing grounds of rejection moot with respect to these claims. In addition, claims 20-26, 28, 29, 31, 40, and 43 now depend from one of allowable claims 32, 36, 38, and 42. In view of this, the Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 19-31, 33-35, 40, 41, and 43-45 under 35 U.S.C. §103 be withdrawn.

Conclusion

If there remain any issues which can be addressed by telephone, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below. Please also charge any fees due in connection with this Amendment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2090.

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